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§ 29.2267 **Fiber.**

The term applied to the veins in a tobacco leaf. The large central vein is called the midrib or stem. The smaller lateral and cross veins are considered from the standpoint of size and color.

§ 29.2268 **Finish.**

The reflectance factor in color perception. Finish indicates the sheen or shine of the surface of a tobacco leaf. (See chart, § 29.2351.)

§ 29.2269 **Fire-cured.**

Tobacco cured under artificial atmospheric conditions by the use of open fires from which the smoke and fumes of burning wood are partly absorbed by the tobacco.

§ 29.2270 **Foreign matter.**

Any extraneous substance or material such as stalks, suckers, straw, strings, rubber bands, and abnormal amounts of dirt or sand. (See Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

§ 29.2271 **Form.**

The stage of preparation of tobacco such as unstemmed or stemmed.

§ 29.2272 **Grade.**

A subdivision of a type according to group, quality, and color.

§ 29.2273 **Grademark.**

A grademark normally consists of three symbols which indicate group, quality, and color. A letter is used to indicate group, a number to indicate quality, and a letter or letters to indicate color. For example, B3D means Heavy Leaf, good quality, and dark-brown color.

§ 29.2274 **Green (G).**

A term applied to green-colored tobacco. Any leaf which has a green color affecting 20 percent or more of its surface may be described as green. (See Rule 18, § 29.2409.)

§ 29.2275 **Group.**

A division of a type covering closely related grades based on certain characteristics which are usually related to stalk position, body, or the general quality of the tobacco. Groups in this

type are Wrappers (A), Heavy Leaf (B), Thin Leaf (C), Lugs (X), Nondescript (N), and Scrap (S).

§ 29.2276 **Injury.**

Hurt or impairment from any cause except the fungous or bacterial diseases which attack tobacco in its cured state. (See Rule 16, § 29.2407.)

§ 29.2277 **Leaf scrap.**

A byproduct of unstemmed tobacco. Leaf scrap results from handling unstemmed tobacco and consists of tangled whole or broken leaves.

§ 29.2278 **Leaf structure.**

The cell development of a leaf as indicated by its porosity. (See chart, § 29.2351.)

§ 29.2279 **Length.**

The linear measurement of cured tobacco leaves from the butt of the midrib to the extreme tip.

§ 29.2280 **Lot.**

A pile, basket, bulk, or more than one bale, case, hogshead, tierce, package, or other definite package unit.

§ 29.2281 **Maturity.**

The degree of ripeness. (See chart, § 29.2351.)

§ 29.2282 **Mixed color or variegated (M).**

Distinctly different colors of the type mingled together, or any leaf of which 20 percent or more of its surface is off brown, grayish, mottled, or bleached and does not blend with the normal colors of the type or group. (See Rule 17, § 29.2408.)

§ 29.2283 **Nested.**

Any tobacco which has been loaded, packed, or arranged to conceal foreign matter or tobacco of inferior grade, quality, or condition. (See Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

§ 29.2284 **No grade.**

A designation applied to a lot of tobacco classified as nested, offtype, rework, semicured, or premature primings; tobacco that is damaged 20

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percent or more, abnormally dirty, extremely wet or watered, contains foreign matter, or has an odor foreign to the type. (See Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

§ 29.2285 Offtype.

Tobacco of distinctly different characteristics which cannot be classified as Fire-cured, U.S. Type 21. (See Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

§ 29.2286 Oil.

A soft, semifluid constituent of tobacco. (See chart, § 29.2351.)

§ 29.2287 Order (case).

The state of tobacco with respect to its moisture content.

§ 29.2288 Package.

A hogshead, tierce, case, bale, or other securely enclosed parcel or bundle.

§ 29.2289 Packing.

A lot of tobacco consisting of a number of packages submitted as one definite unit for sampling or inspection. It is represented to contain the same kind of tobacco and has a common identification number or mark on each package.

§ 29.2290 Premature primings.

Ground leaves harvested before reaching complete growth and development. These leaves lack body and strength. (See Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

§ 29.2291 Quality.

A division of a group or the second factor of a grade based on the relative degree of one or more elements of quality.

§ 29.2292 Resweated.

The condition of tobacco which has passed through a second fermentation under abnormally high temperatures or re fermented with a relatively high percentage of moisture. Resweated includes tobacco which has been dipped or reconditioned after its first fermentation and put through a forced or artificial sweat.

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§ 29.2293 Rework.

Any lot of tobacco which needs to be resorted or otherwise reworked to prepare it properly for market, including: (a) Tobacco which is so mixed that it cannot be classified properly in any grade of the type, because the lot contains a substantial quantity of two or more distinctly different grades which should be separated by sorting; (b) tobacco which contains an abnormally large quantity of foreign matter or an unusual number of muddy or extremely dirty leaves which should be removed; and (c) tobacco not packed straight or otherwise not properly prepared for market. (See Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

§ 29.2294 Semicured.

Tobacco in the process of being cured or which is partially but not thoroughly cured. Semicured includes tobacco which contains fat stems, wet butts, swelled stems, or stems that have not been thoroughly dried in the curing process. (See Rule 22, § 29.2413.)

§ 29.2295 Semifired (SF).

Tobacco that is partially or lightly smoked or has not received the amount of smoke that is characteristic of fire-cured tobacco.

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§ 29.2296 Side.

A certain phase of quality, color, or length as contrasted with some other phase of quality, color, or length; or any peculiar characteristics of tobacco.

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§ 29.2297 Size.

The length of tobacco leaves. (See chart, § 29.2371.)

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§ 29.2298 Sound.

Free of damage.

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§ 29.2299 Special factor.

A symbol or term authorized to be used with specified grades. Tobacco to which a special factor is applied may